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PLAY BALL!

Smiles all around as from left, Tayler Buslepp, Rachelle Austin, Kennadi Wilson, 7, and Sue Buslepp take a selfie before the start of the 2018 Opening Day baseball game between the Miami Marlins and the Chicago Cubs at Marlins Park on Thursday. A crowd of 32,151 showed up for the first game for new owners Bruce Sherman and Derek Jeter. The game itself kicked off with a home run by the Cubs on the Marlins' first pitch; the Cubs would prevail 8-4. **Complete coverage in Sports, 1B**

STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SHOOTING

Why limiting gun-magazine size is a tough problem for Marco Rubio

■ **Florida Republican Sen. Marco Rubio says he's open to potentially limiting gun-magazine sizes after the Parkland shooting, but the idea does not have much Republican support.**



Rubio

lawmakers: Limiting the size of magazines, the spring-loaded devices that feed bullet cartridges into guns, "may save lives" during attacks like

al town hall event one week after the Parkland shooting, Marco Rubio said something that put him at odds with most Republican

the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School that killed 17 people. Six weeks after the shooting, the Florida Republican has continued to say that he's open to potentially limiting magazine sizes, though he has yet to support a specific proposal or offer a bill in Congress. "I have traditionally not supported [a ban] on magazine capacity because I don't think

they prevent shootings," Rubio said on Tuesday. "What has allowed me to re-examine it is the reality that in Parkland, at some point in that shooting, whether it was a gun jam or reloading, the shooter had to stop and people got away. And

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Parkland shooter gets fan mail, 8A
His brother gets a plea deal, 3A

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In the middle of an emotion-

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ENVIRONMENT

Record rain led to bonanza year for Florida's wading birds — just not in the right places

■ **The South Florida Water Management District's annual wading bird report highlighted the complexity of balancing Everglades restoration with rising seas linked to climate change — the key to bringing the state's iconic birds back home.**

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The record rain that pounded South Florida and left the state a sodden mess last spring had a silver lining: an explosion of wading birds.

Threatened wood storks,

which nearly disappeared in the early 1980s, doubled their 10-year nesting average. Little blue herons and snowy egrets were up 62 and 54 percent, respectively. Even roseate spoonbills fell just slightly below a dismal average, which is better than plunging even lower.

But while the numbers were up, nesting patterns revealed that a troubling pattern continues. The birds appear to be giving up on the southern Everglades, once the bread basket for the state's

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Reddish egrets have been added to the list of birds tracked to help manage restoration efforts in Florida Bay.

JACKSON HEALTH SYSTEM

Jackson CEO gets \$100K pay raise

■ **Jackson Health System CEO Carlos Migoya will make \$830,000 a year after the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade gave him a \$100,000 pay raise and two-year contract extension for running the county's public hospital system.**

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Seven years into his job as chief executive of Jackson Health System — Miami-Dade's \$1.9 billion-a-year public hospital network — Carlos Migoya is getting a pay raise of about \$100,000, bringing his total compensation to more than \$1 million next year.

Migoya's bosses on the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade, which governs the taxpayer-funded system of three hospitals and 11,000 employees, voted this week to raise his annual salary to \$830,000. They also extended his contract through June 2021.

Migoya, 67, was already the highest paid county employee, earning a base salary of \$730,000 a year. Under the new contract, his pay raise will take effect in June, and then his salary is scheduled to rise by 5 percent a year — to \$871,500 in June 2019 and then to \$915,075 in June 2020.

Migoya's compensation includes performance bonuses that, in past years, have pushed his total pay to \$1 million. And he will continue to receive about \$212,000 a year in executive benefits, including health insur-



SPORTS

STEPHENS RALLIES TO MAKE FINAL

Fort Lauderdale resident Sloane Stephens, 25, defeated Victoria Azarenka to reach her first Miami Open final. **1B**

NATION/WORLD

RUSSIA TO EXPEL 60 U.S. DIPLOMATS

Russia said it will kick out 60 American diplomats and close the U.S. Consulate in St. Petersburg. **14A**

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